

Community Clients Received Services 7 & 30 Days After Being Discharged

Operational Definition: Percentage of clients who received outpatient services within 7 and 30 days after being discharge from the State hospital, community hospital, or evaluation and treatment center.

Operational Measure: The number of clients who were discharged from a State or Community Hospitals, or Evaluation and Treatment centers in the Fiscal Year and who received outpatient services within 7 and 30 days divided by the total number of clients discharged.

Formulas:

The number of clients who were discharged from a State or Community Hospitals, or Evaluation and Treatment centers in the Fiscal Year and who seen in outpatient services {7 days following discharge; 30 days following discharge}

Number of people discharged from a State or Community Hospitals, or Evaluation and Treatment centers in the Fiscal Year

Discussion: All people discharged from State or Community Hospitals, and Evaluation and Treatment Centers are not eligible or appropriate for outpatient mental health services. Some people upon discharge go into the VA system, prisons/jails, nursing homes, see private providers, or move outside the State. The results show that the number of people who are seen in Community Outpatient Services following discharge from inpatient settings has fluctuated over the last 3 Fiscal Years.

Data Notes:

- If a person has less than 7 days between a hospital discharge and admission within the same type of hospital setting this is considered one episode. For the purposes of this indicator, a person is only considered discharged at the end of the episode.
- To be included in the numerator the person had to be discharged in the Fiscal Year, but the outpatient services could occur beyond the Fiscal Year
- Due to a data processing change data for Puget Sound Behavioral Health the number of people served in community inpatient settings for Pierce RSN are underreported in 2003 and 2004.

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Outpatient Status	FY-2003			FY-2004			FY-2005		
	# Seen	# Discharged	% Seen	# Seen	# Discharged	% Seen	# Seen	# Discharged	% Seen
Seen Within 7 Days	6,296	13,425	46.9%	6,567	13,248	49.6%	6,248	12,754	49.0%
Seen Within 30 Days	8,164	13,425	60.8%	8,388	13,248	63.3%	7,901	12,754	61.9%

